

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE

The Hon. Member for Arbory, Castletown and Malew, Mr Moorhouse, to ask The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture:

How much was spent on planning for a new Castle Rushen High School a) between 1st September 2016 and 30th August 2021, and b) between 1st September 2021 and the present.

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The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture (Mrs Caine):

The Department has interpreted “planning” in this context as expenditure associated with project development, feasibility, master planning, design, consultancy and related preparatory work for the replacement of Castle Rushen High School. It also includes works associated with the sports pitches, rather than solely statutory planning application fees as no statutory planning application has been submitted.

The figures below show expenditure by financial year, rather than by the specific periods requested, as they are taken from the Isle of Man Government Accounts, which are reported on that basis.

Financial Year	*Annual Spend £000
2026/17	0
2017/18	36
2018/19	66
2019/20	126
2020/21	441
2021/22	812
2022/23	861
2023/24	0
2024/25	45

The figures below are unpublished and have been taken directly from the AX finance system.

Financial Year	*Annual Spend £000
2025/26	641
2026/27 (to June 2026)	88

**These figures exclude Officer time.*